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CARRIE HARWOOD

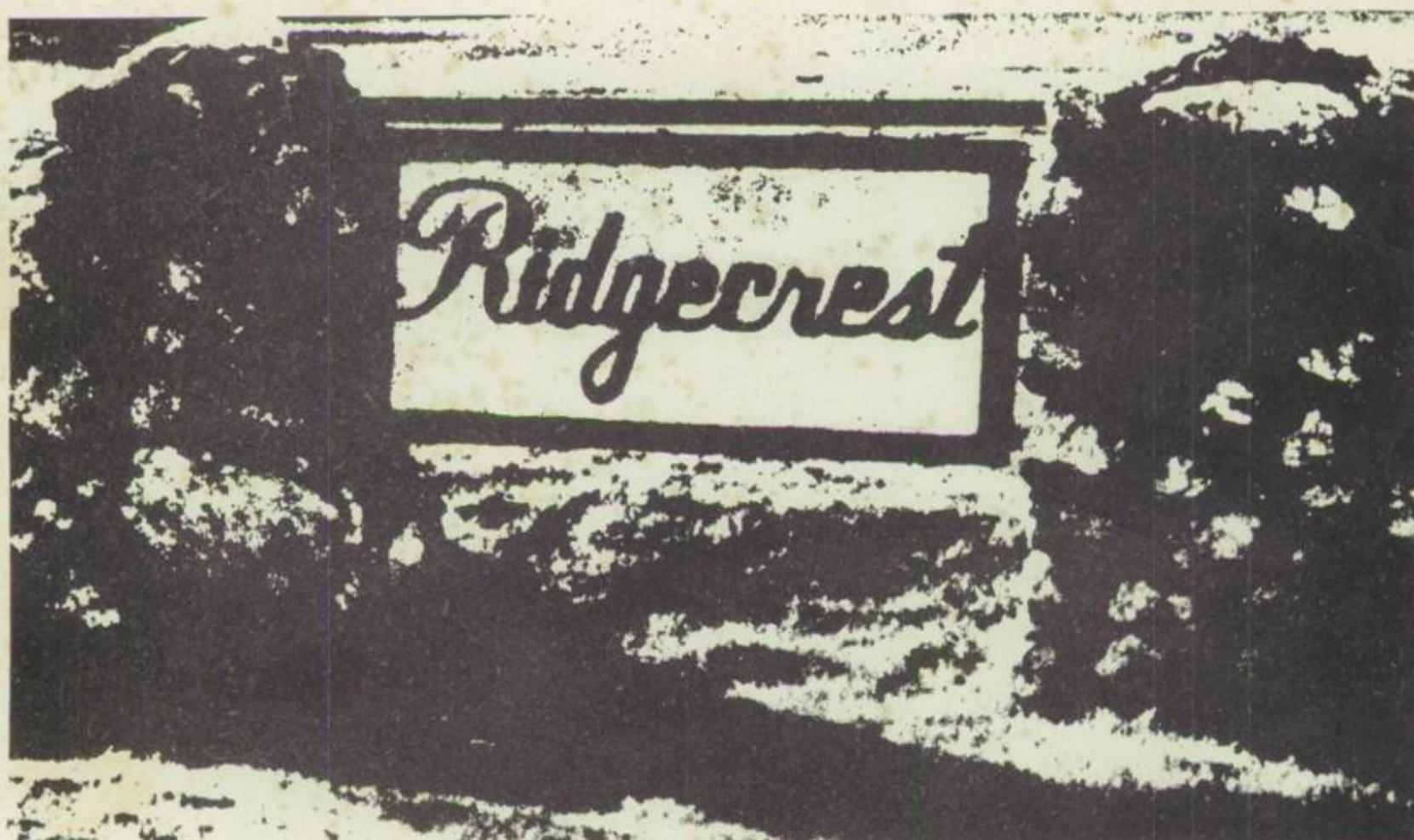






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THE SENIOR CLASS

of

RIDGECREST HIGH SCHOOL

Route 1, Stanfield, N. C.



## DEDICATION

With deep appreciation, we, the seniors of '51 dedicate our issue of the *Fledgling* to our grade mothers: Mrs. Dewell Morgan, Mrs. Aaron Clark, and Mrs. Lewis Almond in honor of their helpfulness throughout the past four years.



## PRINCIPAL

### *History and Physical Education*

My acquaintance with the senior class has been so brief, and I should be quite sad about your going if I did not believe you have learned that through cooperation you can deal with the crisis which now confronts us.

The education you have received may not bring you all the money you want, but it will give you the deeper satisfactions that really make life worth living.

## FACULTY



MRS. J. M. DRY  
*English, Spanish, and History*



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*Math and Science*



MR. H. D. MURPHY  
*Eighth Grade*



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*Seventh Grade*



MR. J. M. JENKINS  
*Sixth Grade*

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*Fifth Grade*



MRS. GRIER SMALL  
*Fourth Grade*



MISS ANGELINE HINSON  
*Third Grade*



MRS. CLAY RINEHARDT  
*Second Grade*



MRS. M. E. BARRINGER  
*First Grade*

## SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS



KENNETH MORGAN

*"We build the ladder  
By which we climb."*

"Mr. Ridgecrest High" '50-'51; Student Council 1; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Chief Marshal 3; Class Vice President 3; Class President 4; 4-H Club President 4; Fledgling Staff 4; Crest Staff 4; Received Athletic Medal '50.



IRENE FURR

*"Friendly to all, hostile to none,  
Always jolly and full of fun."*

Glee Club 1, 3, 4; Class President 3; Marshal 3; Class Vice President 4; 4-H Club 4; Fledgling Staff 4; Crest Staff 4; Storekeeper 4; Received Scholarship Medal '50.



SARAH ANN CLARK

*"Always laughing, never sad,  
Sometimes naughty, never bad."*

Glee Club 1, 3, 4; Class Treasurer 3; Marshal 3; Class Secretary 4; Fledgling Staff 4; 4-H Club 4; Storekeeper 4.



ROSALENE BURRIS

*"True and sincere, loyal and kind,  
Another just like her you'll never find."*

Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 4; 4-H Club Secretary 4; Class Treasurer 4; Substitute School Bus Driver 4; Y.M.C.A. 4; Crest Staff 4; Fledgling Staff 4.

## SENIORS

RICHARD ALMOND

*"Not too serious, not too gay,  
Just a real good pal in every way."*

Marshal 3; School Bus Driver 3, 4;  
Y.M.C.A. 4; Fledgling 4.



JEWEL ALMOND

*"You'll always find her true and just,  
A girl whom all can love and trust."*

"Miss Ridgecrest High" '50-'51; 4-H Club  
1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball  
1, 2, 3, 4; Class Secretary 3; 4-H Club  
Vice President 4; Crest Staff 4; Fledgling  
Staff 4.



CARL BURRIS

*"His very quietness calls  
Attention to his merits."*

Baseball 3, 4; Basketball 4; Fledgling 4.

## CLASS HISTORY

In July, 1939, our mothers awoke us early one morning and told us the day had finally arrived for us to start to school.

We shall always remember our first grade teacher because she married during the year, and we then called her Mrs. Laidlaw, instad of Miss Furr. How she managed the forty-two of us, we will never know.

Most of us managed to pull through, and we found the second grade very different. We had homework to do, and our teacher, Miss Sue Eudy, was strict.

Miss Angeline Hinson was our teacher in the third and fourth grades. We made a booklet on North Carolina, and one on different kinds of early ships, trains, and automobiles. We drew the pictures ourselves.

We went upstairs for our fifth year. We were divided, part of us in Miss Auta Smith's room, and the rest in Miss Minnie Barbee's, but we changed rooms for our classes.

In the sixth grade, our teacher, Miss Minnie Barbee, had her hands full because the girls began experimenting with lipstick, and noticing the cute boys in our room.

Mr. J. M. Jenkins was our teacher in the seventh grade. We will always remember the times he whipped himself to show us how it "hurt."

Miss Carrie Lee Lambert was our teacher in the eighth grade. We enjoyed learning useful arts as we had a period evry day to make aprons, pine needle baskets, and other useful things.

At last, in 1947, we entered high school with eighteen students. Our teachers were Mr. L. W. Byrum, Mr. W. F. Daniels, and Mrs. J. N. Lilly. We enjoyed our new subjects and the fact that we were in high school helped us along.

Much to our regret we lost four students that year—Grady Whitley decided to go to Oakboro. Clifford Hunnycutt and Billie Joe Harkey decided they had enough education, so they left us. Peggy Jean Burris said "adieux" to "Dear Old Ridgecrest" and married during the year.

We entered our sophomore year with fourteen students. We thought we were getting "on" in life—part of the students, especially a few of the girls, tried to rule the rest of the girls. We will always remember the "hurt feelings" and "tears" that followed.

Max Burris and Louise Lambert moved during the year, however, they are still in school. Floyd Almond, Lillian Moyle, and Scenic Eudy left us for what they probably thought would be "flowery beds of ease." We wonder if it proved to be so, or if they have sometimes felt some regret at not continuing to travel with us on the road to graduation.

We entered our junior year feeling "bigger" than ever and on November 23, 1949, when we received our class rings we thought we were the "stuff."

We gained a new principal and a new high school teacher that year—Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Dry. They filled the places of Mr. L. W. Byrum and Mr. W. F. Daniels. Everyone in the community has learned to appreciate their work and efforts of making Ridgecrest a better school.

Two girls, Rosalene Burris and Jewel Herrin, joined us that year. Jewel Herrin decided she didn't want to finish after all, so she soon left us. Lillie Helms, Billie Lambert, and Peggy Whitley were other leavers from our class that year.

On March 17, 1950, the "Junior-Senior Banquet" was held in Hotel Albemarle. The theme was "St. Patrick's Day." Both juniors and seniors enjoyed the formalities.

We decided we had enough money left in the treasury to take the seniors on a trip, so on Friday morning, April 14, 1950, we left for Asheville, N. C. We spent the night in "The Homeland Park Cabins," and returned home on Saturday night.

We enjoyed several class parties that year. The Christmas party highlighted the year.

At last, we became seven happy seniors. We had always longed to be called "Seniors." The ones who were honored by having this title were: Jewel Almond, Richard Almond, Carl Burris, Rosalene Burris, Sarah Clark, Irene Furr, and Kenneth Morgan.

Mrs. Lilly decided to settle down to housekeeping and jig-saw puzzles. Mr. S. H. Leonard came as a new science and math teacher, and Mr. H. D. Murphy came as a teacher and coach.

With the help of the juniors, we again started printing a monthly school paper called "The Crest." The paper had not been printed for several years, and everyone took an interest in it.

Every senior took part in the making of the "Fledgling" and enjoyed working together.

Excitement filled the air as the time for our "Senior Play" approached. The title of the play was "Aaron Slick From Punkin Crick." We also gave a chapel program during the year. The title of it was "Close Courting."

We later enjoyed a banquet honored by the juniors.

Graduation day approached all too soon and we were filled with gladness and regret.

Irene Furr, *Historian*

## CLASS PROPHECY

As I gaze into my crystal ball I can dimly see the following things happening to the senior class of 1951.

Irene Furr seems to be getting along fine with her big florist. She spends most of her time working with her flowers while her husband simply rides around. He makes those long trips alone—he says. Irene doesn't care though. She never did worry herself to death over men.

Carl Burris is now an admiral in the Navy. When he comes home on vacation, it is no trouble for him to find a girl. In that outfit with all those medals, and his looks, he could talk to the president's girl if she wasn't already married.

Jewel Almond is a very industrious housekeeper. She lives in a pretty little five-room house near Red Cross, N. C. Her husband works in the mill. She does all her cooking, washing, and housework. We hope she does not have to work as hard as she did through high school.

Richard Almond owns the Oak Grove farm down below Albemarle, N. C. He has lots of land and plenty of farm machinery, but he could use another hand on the farm. His wife likes to spend her time by the television, but she does keep the housework done. We hope she keeps him plenty to eat so he won't starve like he did his last few years in school.

Sarah Clark is a very successful beautician. She runs that popular beauty shoppe on the main street in downtown Rock Hill, S. C. Her husband runs that service station just across the street. Wonder why he built his station there? It was probably to be sure that "women only" went in to get their looks improved.

Kenneth Morgan is now a big boss in one of those knitting mills down south. His wife works in there too. He may be the boss in the mill but he is not at home. He washes dishes and helps out a lot at home—by force.

We hear that Rosalene Burris left her job as a telephone operator at Charlotte, N. C. She now stays in Jacksonville, Florida, and works in the bus station where her husband works also. Wonder why he works there too? Well, I hear someone calling so I will have to close. Signed and sealed by class prophetess.

Rosalene Burris

## LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

We, the Senior Class of 1951, being of sound mind and body, also realizing that we will have to leave dear old Ridgecrest, and knowing that we must soon depart from lectures, exams, flunks, trials, and tribulations, and go out into this wide world to seek our fortunes, do hereby declare and publish our last will and testament.

I. We, The Senior Class of 1951, leave the faculty, because of their kindness and helpfulness, our thankfulness and best wishes.

II. The Senior Class leaves the Juniors our old scarred-up desks so they will have something to sit in next year, and also our seats in the auditorium.

III. The Seniors leave all the old chewing gum stuck under their desks to the Sophomores.

IV. To the Freshmen we leave our ability to whisper on class so they won't have to stay in quite as much the next year for talking.

V. We leave our old books to anyone who wants them.

1. Richard Almond leaves his preference for pretty blondes, brunettes, brownettes, and redheads to Jerry Almond and Charles Branch and hopes they find more than he did.

2. Jewel Almond leaves her old basketball shoes that she wore four years to Carrie Harwood (maybe they'll get polished now).

3. Carl Burris leaves his tall, good looks to Martin Lambert. Maybe you can get you a girl now, Martin.

4. Rosalene Burris leaves her ability to drive anything from a "T" model to a school bus to Roadth Helms. Don't have too many wrecks Roadth.

5. Kenneth Morgan leaves his old girl friends (all but Marie) to Guy Clark. Better get a job Guy because you'll need the money now.

6. Sarah Clark leaves her "innocent look" to Dorothy Huneycutt. Let's hope it doesn't dim that mischievous twinkle in Dorothy's eyes.

7. Irene Furr leaves her smartness to Mary Ellen Tucker. Now Mary Ellen won't have any trouble at all with her school work.

8. Jewel and Rosalene leave their places as most attractive and cutest girls to Kay Lambert. There will be no time to keep a diary Kay.

9. Sarah and Irene leave their many giggles to Margie Harkey and Ruby Smith. They also leave a warning: don't giggle in time of class girls.

Jewel Almond, *Testator*

## SUPERLATIVES

|                                         |                                    |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <i>Most Dignified</i> . . . . .         | Sarah Clark and Carl Burris        |
| <i>Most Congenial</i> . . . . .         | Irene Furr and Kenneth Morgan      |
| <i>Best Dressed</i> . . . . .           | Jewel Almond and Richard Almond    |
| <i>Most Polite</i> . . . . .            | Sarah Clark and Carl Burris        |
| <i>Most Studios</i> . . . . .           | Irene Furr and Kenneth Morgan      |
| <i>Most Bashful</i> . . . . .           | Sarah Clark and Carl Burris        |
| <i>Most Popular</i> . . . . .           | Jewel Almond and Kenneth Morgan    |
| <i>Most Dramatic</i> . . . . .          | Jewel Almond and Richard Almond    |
| <i>Most Conceited</i> . . . . .         | Sarah Clark and Richard Almond     |
| <i>Most Attractive</i> . . . . .        | Jewel Almond and Kenneth Morgan    |
| <i>Most Athletic</i> . . . . .          | Jewel Almond and Kenneth Morgan    |
| <i>Best Writer</i> . . . . .            | Rosalene Burris and Kenneth Morgan |
| <i>Best All-Around</i> . . . . .        | Jewel Almond and Kenneth Morgan    |
| <i>Biggest Giggers</i> . . . . .        | Sarah Clark and Irene Furr         |
| <i>Biggest Flirts</i> . . . . .         | Jewel Almond and Kenneth Morgan    |
| <i>Friendliest</i> . . . . .            | Sarah Clark and Carl Burris        |
| <i>Cutest</i> . . . . .                 | Rosalene Burris and Richard Almond |
| <i>Wittiest</i> . . . . .               | Jewel Almond and Kenneth Morgan    |
| <i>Silliest</i> . . . . .               | Jewel Almond and Richard Almond    |
| <i>Laziest</i> . . . . .                | Jewel Almond and Carl Burris       |
| <i>Most Likely to Succeed</i> . . . . . | Irene Furr and Kenneth Morgan      |
| <i>Most Grumblesome</i> . . . . .       | Rosalene Burris and Kenneth Morgan |
| <i>Most Valuable</i> . . . . .          | Irene Furr and Kenneth Morgan      |

## SENIOR HONORS

|                           |                      |
|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Irene Furr . . . . .      | <i>Valedictorian</i> |
| Kenneth Morgan . . . . .  | <i>Salutatorian</i>  |
| Sarah Ann Clark . . . . . | <i>Runner-up</i>     |

## MOTTO

"They conquer who believe they can."

## CLASS COLORS

White and Green

## CLASS FLOWER

White Carnation

## CAPS and GOWNS

Colors: Girls, White— Boys, Maroon

# SNAPSHOTS





MAURINE SMITH

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J. C. TUCKER



MARSHALS

Jerry Almond, Kay Lambert, Carrie Harwood, Dorothy Huneycutt

WHO'S



IRENE FURR



KENNETH MORGAN

WHO



CARRIE HARWOOD



DOROTHY HUNEYCUTT



BETTY JEAN FURR



LIZZIE CLARK



BETTY HATLEY



PEGGY TUCKER

## JUNIORS



JERRY ALMOND



CHARLES BRANCH



GUY CLARK



MARGIE HARKEY



BOBBIE HARWOOD



CARRIE HARWOOD  
*Class Secretary*

## JUNIORS



ROADTH HELMS



DOROTHY HUNEYCUTT  
*Class Vice President*



KAY LAMBERT  
*Class President*



MARTIN LAMBERT



RUBY SMITH  
*Class Treasurer*



MARY ELLEN TUCKER

## SOPHOMORES



HOMER ALLMAN



HOYE ALMOND



PATSY ALMOND



SARAH BURRIS



KENNETH CLARK



SHIRLEY CLARK



KEITH CRAYTON



ANN JEAN EUDY



KEITH EUDY



BETTY JEAN FURR



JANE FURR



CLINTON HARKEY

## SOPHOMORES



BETTY JO HARWOOD



HILDA HATLEY



J. B. LAMBERT



REECE LAMBERT



HILDA MOYLE



BOYD LEE PAIGE



HAROLD SMITH



MILDRED SMITH



TRUET WHITLEY

# FRESHMEN



SHIRLEY ALMOND



TRULEY ALMOND



PEGGY BLACK



HAROLD BURRIS



GRACE CLARK



LIZZIE CLARK



DOYLE EUDY



LOTTIE MAE EUDY



KENNETH FURR



SILAS FURR



TIMOTHY FURR



J. E. HARWOOD



PAT HARWOOD

## FRESHMEN



SHERWOOD HARWOOD



BETTY HATLEY



HORACE HATLEY



HARVEY HELMS



CLAYTON HUNEYCUTT



AILENE LAMBERT



BETTY LAMBERT



RAY LAMBERT



JAMES PAIGE



PEGGY TUCKER



RAY SMITH



JERRY WHITLEY

## EIGHTH GRADE



JOHNSIE ALMOND  
NEWELL ALMOND  
JOSEPH BLACK  
DEWEY BURRIS  
REECE BURLESON



JIMMY BROWN  
MELTON CLARK  
FAYE CRAYTON  
PEGGY CRAYTON  
LILLIAN FURR



LOUDENE HATLEY  
JEAN HERRIN  
BRUCE HUNEYCUTT  
KENNETH HUNEYCU  
LENTZ LAMBERT



DORIS LINKER  
ELIZABETH SMITH  
MARIE SMITH  
LOVENE TUCKER  
GURLEY PAIGE



DONNIE JOE WHITLEY  
SHIRLEY WHITLEY  
*Absent*  
FLOYD MORGAN

## SEVENTH GRADE

DON ALMOND  
BOBBY ALMOND  
REECE ALMOND  
RUBY BLACKWELDER  
LARRY BRANCH



RUBY BURRIS  
KENNETH FURR  
WALTER FURR  
DORIS GREEN  
BILLY HARKEY



TOMMIE HARKEY  
MARLENE HATHCOCK  
DEWEY HATLEY  
JANICE HATLEY  
GAYNELL HERRIN



JIMMY HERRIN  
FRANCES LAMBERT  
VEDER MAE LAMBERT  
JERRY MURRAY  
JACK MOYLE



EDNA WHITLEY  
*Absent*  
ANNIE JANE PAIGE



## SIXTH GRADE



HILDA ALMOND  
JULENE BOWERS  
RUTH BURLESON



JUDY BURRIS  
JESSIE EUDY  
COY FURR  
YVONIE HARKEY



JIMMY HARWOOD  
BOYD HATHCOCK  
TED HATLEY  
CAROL SUE HERRIN  
EUGENE HERRIN

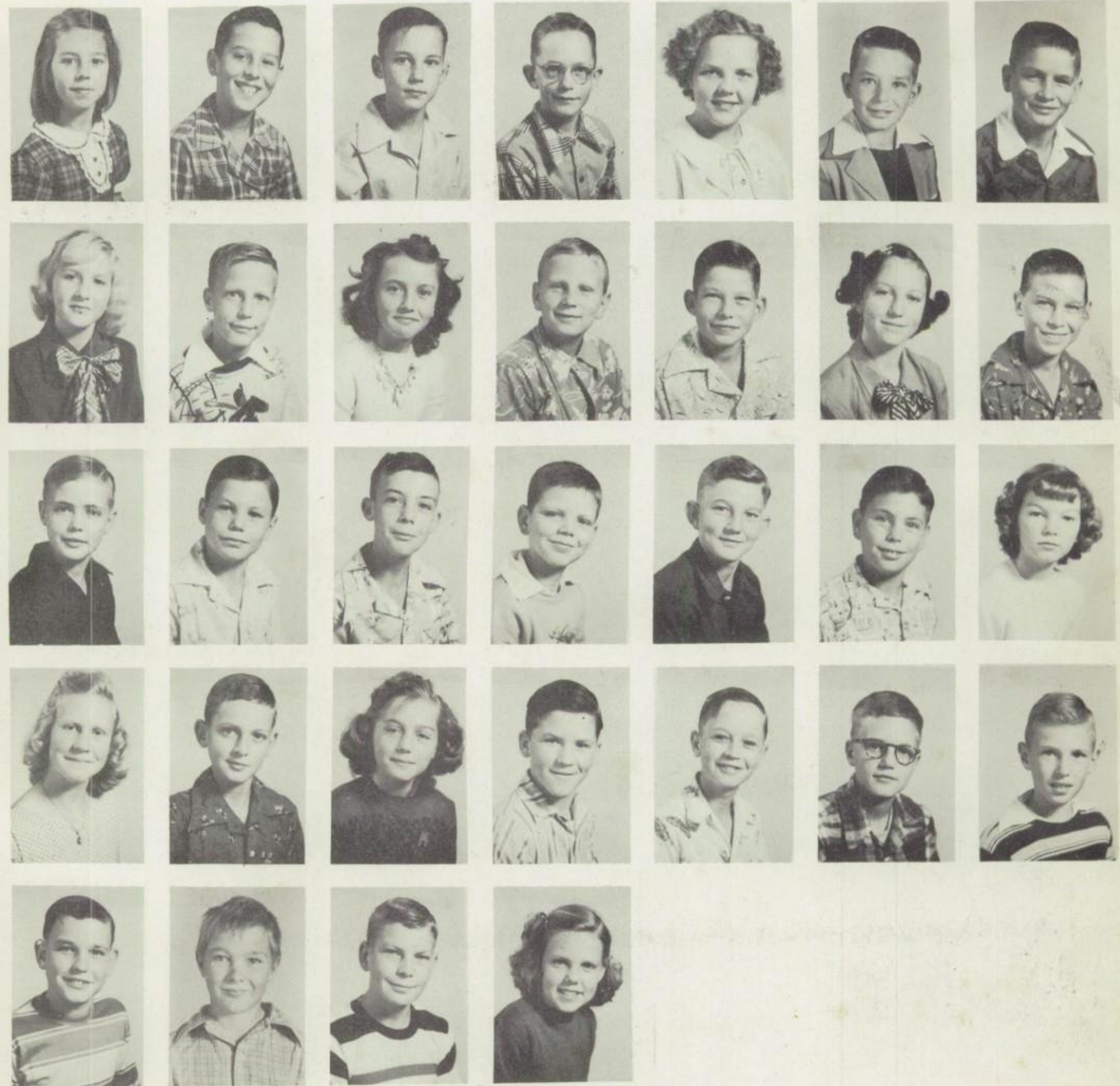


BOBBY LAMBERT  
COY LAMBERT  
DON LAMBERT  
FOY LAMBERT  
JIMMY LAMBERT



ANNETTE MORGAN  
FAYE PAIGE  
POLLY TUCKER  
BRENDA TUCKER  
BARBARA WHITLEY

## FIFTH GRADE



*First row, left to right*—Carrie Almond, Douglas Almond, Jerry Almond, Ray Almond, Ann Barbee, Donnie Black, James Burleson.

*Second row, left to right*—Ginger Ann Clark, Jerry Crayton, Peggy Eudy, Tim Eudy, Worth Eudy, Martha Furr, Paulie Furr.

*Third row, left to right*—Ronnie Hatley, Wayne Hatley, Worth Hatley, Jerry Harwood, Bobby Helms, Crendell Herrin, Shirley Herrin.

*Fourth row, left to right*—Mildred Huneycutt, Carl Lambert, Margaret Lambert, Nathan Paige, R. J. Paige, Alvin Ritchie, Gareth Smith.

*Fifth row, left to right*—Ray Smith, Ted Smith, Buddy Whitley, Joyce Ann Whitley.

## FOURTH GRADE



*First row, left to right*—Gerald Almond, Joyce Almond, Patsy Black, Kay Bowers, R. D. Branch, J. C. Burris, J. R. Clark.

*Second row, left to right*—Frances Eudy, Janice Eudy, Norman Eudy, Larry Freeman, Shirley Harkey, Hal Harwood, Shirley Harwood.

*Third row, left to right*—Patsy Harwood, Betty Jean Hatley, Charles Hatley, Bobby Hatley, Sue Hatley, Raiford Hinson, Margie Harkey.

*Fourth row, left to right*—Kitty Sue Huneycutt, Alene Lambert, Patsy Lambert, Ed Linker, Madge Murray, J. W. Paige, Gail Tucker.

*Fifth row, left to right*—Sherman Tucker, Della Smith, Bobby Whitley, Brice Whitley Jr., Ray Whitley.



THIRD GRADE . . . . . MISS HINSON



SECOND GRADE . . . . . MISS RINEHARDT



FIRST GRADE . . . . MRS. M. E. BARRINGER



CHRISTMAS CANTATA



## FLEDGLING STAFF

*Seated, left to right—Jewel Almond, Art Editor; Rosalene Burris, Art Editor; Carl Burris, Advertising Manager; Kenneth Morgan, Editor; Richard Almond, Assistant Editor; Sarah Ann Clark, Assistant Business Manager; Irene Furr, Business Manager.*

*Standing—Mrs. J. M. Dry, Sponsor.*



## CREST STAFF

*Seated, left to right—Kay Lambert, Fashion Editor; Dorothy Huneycutt, Editor; Kenneth Morgan, Typist; Rosalene Burris, Assistant Editor; Jewel Almond, Art Editor.*

*Standing, left to right—Katie Lambert, Carrie Harwood, Sport Editor; Guy Clark, Sport Editor; Charles Branch, Circulation Editor; Mrs. J. M. Dry, Sponsor; Irene Furr, Fun Editor.*

## GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM



*First row, left to right*  
 Jerry Almond, Guy Clark,  
 Truet Whitley, *Captain*; Kenneth Morgan,  
 Keith Crayton.  
*Second row, left to right*—J. B. Lambert, James  
 Paige, Carl Burris, Kenneth Clark, and the Coach,  
 H. D. Murphy.  
*Absent*  
 Martin Lambert

*First row, left to right*  
 Sarah Burris, Hilda Moyle,  
 Jewel Almond, *Captain*; Shirley Clark,  
 Betty Hatley, Carrie Harwood.  
*Second row, left to right*—Mildred Smith, Shirl  
 Almond, Betty Lambert, Grace Clark, Katie Lam  
 Truley Almond, and the Coach,  
 H. D. Murphy.



## BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM



GLEE CLUB



4-H CLUB



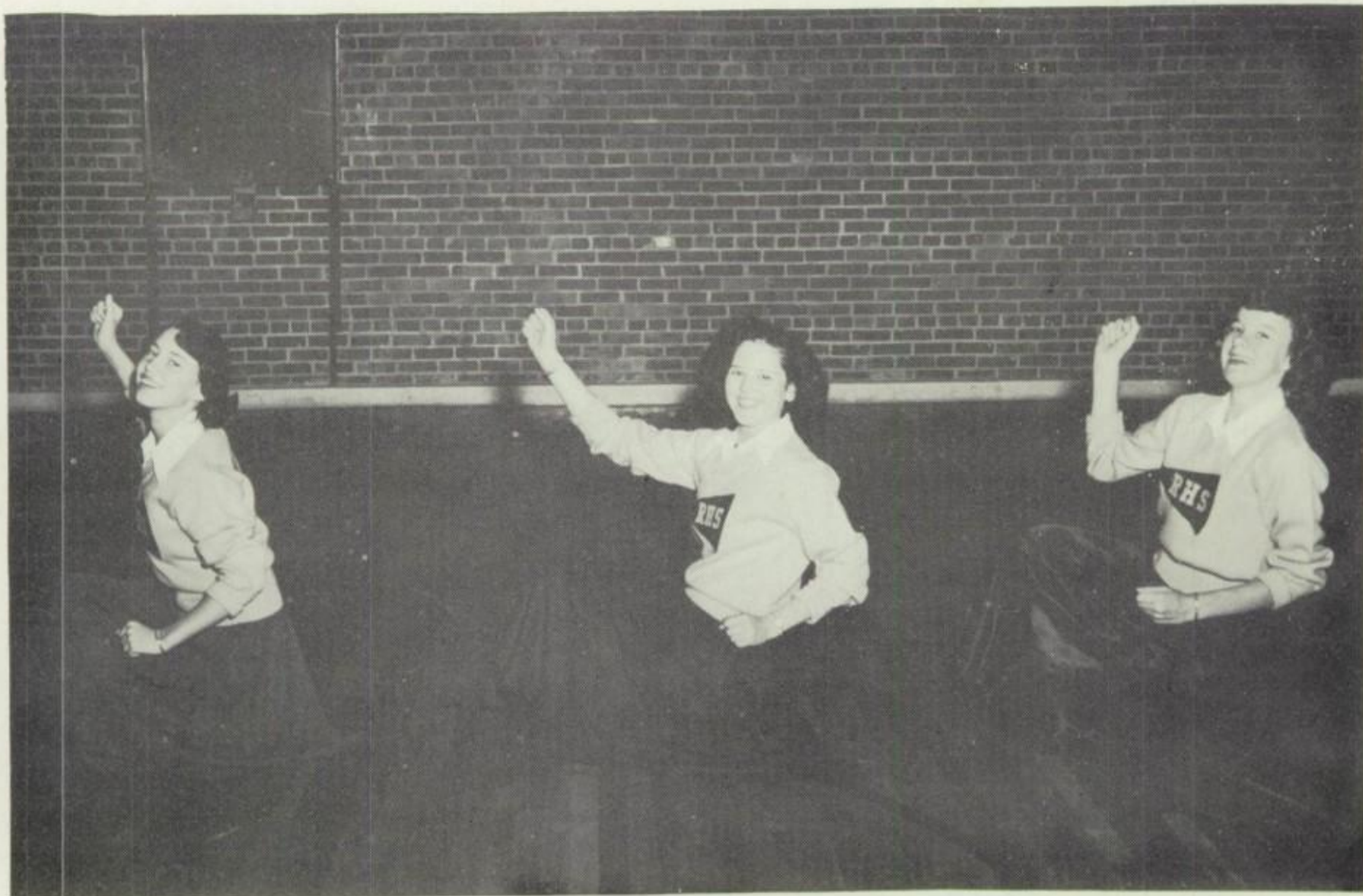
## Y. M. C. A.

*Left to right—Homer Allmon, Shirley Whitley, Ruby Burris, Edna Whitley, Sarah Burris.  
Second row—Mrs. J. M. Dry, Katie Lambert, Kay Lambert, Peggy Tucker, Rosalene Burris.  
Back row—J. M. Dry, H. D. Murphy, Charles Branch, Richard Almond, Carrie Harwood.*



## SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS

*Left to right—Rosalene Burris (Sub.), Truet Whitley, E. R. Almond, Martin Lambert.*



## CHEERLEADERS

*Left to right—Peggy Tucker, Dorothy Huneycutt, Pat Harwood.*

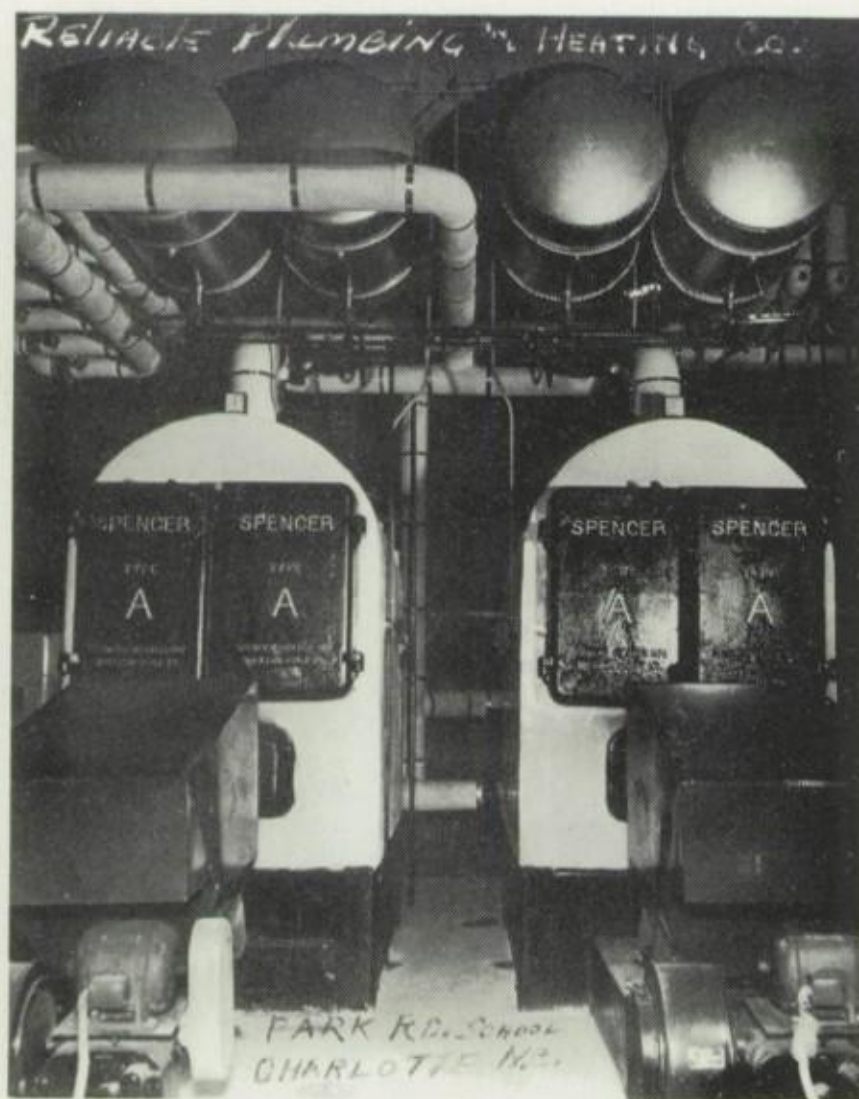
## ALMA MATER

Alma Mater we all love thee,  
For more than the rest,  
And our loyalties shall ever,  
For thee stand the test.

### *Chorus*

Hail to the dearest school of all,  
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Sarah—Not blushing.

Irene—Not studying.

Richard—Without chewing gum.

Carl—Getting into mischief.

Kenneth—Without a date.

Mrs. Dry—Not assigning homework.

Mr. Dry—Losing his temper

Mr. Leonard—Not smiling.

Mr. Murphy—Not twirling his watch chain.

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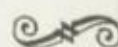
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